

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR  
THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
ALEXANDRIA DIVISION**

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MARY MEHAN,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No.:
	)	
THE TJX COMPANIES, INC., d/b/a	)	
“Marshalls”,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
	)	

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Dated: January 28, 2019

**BONNER KIERNAN TREBACH & CROCIATA, LLP**

*/s/ Heather S. Deane*

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## VIRGINIA:

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FAIRFAX COUNTY**

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Plaintiff, )  
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Defendant. )  
Case No.: CL18-0639

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## CIVIL COVER SHEET

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## I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Mary Mehan  
20884 Royal Villa Terrace, Potomac Falls, Virginia 20165

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Loudoun County  
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number) 302-661-0900

Philip O'Bierne, VSB No. 71956 Richard A. Bussey, VSB No. 19631  
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## DEFENDANTS

The TJX Companies, Inc. d/b/a "Marshalls" c/o CT Corporation System 4701 Cox Rd., Suite 285, Glen Allen, VA 23060

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Henrico County  
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

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## II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

1 U.S. Government Plaintiff  3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)

2 U.S. Government Defendant  4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

## III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

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Citizen of This State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 4
Citizen of Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 6

## IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

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<input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine	<input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane	<input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157	<input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a))
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<input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans)	<input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury		<input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice	<input type="checkbox"/> 365 Property Damage Product Liability		<input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations
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<input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability				<input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange
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<input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure	<input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting	<input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee	<input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923)	<input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters
<input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment	<input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence	<input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIW (405(g))	<input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act
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		<input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition		
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			FEDERAL TAX SUITS	
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			<input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision
			IMMIGRATION	<input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
			<input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application	
			<input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	

## V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

1 Original Proceeding  2 Removed from State Court  3 Remanded from Appellate Court  4 Reinstated or Reopened  5 Transferred from Another District (specify)  6 Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer  8 Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

## VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity): 28 USC 8144(e)

Brief description of cause: Plaintiff fell over store display

## VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION  
UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$ 500,000

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:  
JURY DEMAND:  Yes  No

## VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

1-28-19

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

H. Deane

JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE

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AMOUNT

APPLYING IFF

JUDGE

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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

## Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b) County of Residence.** For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys.** Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- II. Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
  - United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
  - United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
  - Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
  - Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)
- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
  - Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.
  - Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.
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  - Multidistrict Litigation – Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.
  - Multidistrict Litigation – Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7.** Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.
- VI. Cause of Action.** Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service
- VII. Requested in Complaint.** Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.
  - Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.
  - Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases.** This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

**Date and Attorney Signature.** Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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**PETITION FOR REMOVAL**

NOW COMES Petitioner, the TJX Companies, Inc., (hereinafter "TJX" or "Defendant"), by and through its attorneys, Bonner Kiernan Trebach & Crociata, LLP, and states as follows:

1. Petitioner is the Defendant in the captioned litigation.
2. This action was instituted by Plaintiff against the Defendant by the filing of the Complaint on the 16th day of January, 2018, and the action is now pending in the Circuit Court of Virginia for Fairfax County, At Law Number: CL18-14271. Defendant was served with the Complaint on January 15, 2019.
3. At the time of the commencement of the action, the Plaintiff was a citizen of the Commonwealth of Virginia. *See Complaint.*
4. At the time of the commencement of the action Defendant TJX Companies, Inc. was and is a corporation organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business located in the State of Massachusetts.

5. The amount sued for by Plaintiff is in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars USD (\$75,000.00) in that Plaintiff seeks "the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00)." *See Complaint ¶ 5*, attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

6. This civil action involves a dispute between parties of diverse jurisdictions and is subject to the original jurisdiction of the District Court of the United States pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332 and 1441.

7. Petitioners file herewith the Complaint filed by Plaintiff as part of this Petition.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays this case be removed to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria Division.

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DBA "MARSHALLS"  
770 Cochituate Rd  
Framingham MA 01701

SERVE:

CT Corporation System  
4701 Cox Road, Suite 285  
Glen Allen VA 23060

Defendant.

2018 0639

Civil Case No.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF  
FAIRFAX:

COMPLAINT

The plaintiff, by counsel, moves the Court for judgment against the defendant on the grounds and in the amount as hereinafter set forth:

1. Mary Mehan, on January 15, 2016, exercising due care for her own safety, was a customer shopping at the Marshalls store located at 8353 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, VA 22182 (hereinafter "the store"), when she was caused to fall due to the unsafe condition of a display in the store, severely injuring herself.

2. At all times relevant hereto, defendant The TJX Companies Inc. (dba "Marshalls") owned, operated and managed the store, and was under a duty to exercise



reasonable care to maintain the store premises, including all merchandise displays, in a reasonably safe condition for customers of the store, including plaintiff Mary Mehan.

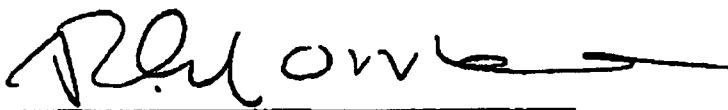
3. Plaintiff Mary Mehan's fall was the direct and proximate result of the negligence of the defendant which, acting by and through its agents and employees, breached its duty to maintain the premises in a reasonably safe condition for customers of the store. Such negligence included, but was not limited to: the negligent, careless, and improper maintenance of store displays creating an unsafe and dangerous condition; the failure to ensure displays were a safe height from the floor; leaving an empty display platform at the end-cap on the store floor and not properly warning store patrons of it; the failure to ensure that all displays contrast clearly in color with the surrounding floor; the failure to warn, post signs or otherwise provide notice of the unsafe and dangerous condition of the displays; the failure to remedy the unsafe and dangerous condition of the displays; and the failure to take precautions against the creation of the unsafe and dangerous condition. As a result of the negligence of the defendant, as aforesaid, the area where plaintiff Mary Mehan fell was unreasonably dangerous to her.

4. As a direct and proximate result of the defendant's negligence, as aforesaid, plaintiff Mary Mehan was caused to sustain serious and permanent injuries to mind and body, including but not limited to injuries to her shoulder, head, back, and tailbone; has suffered and will continue to suffer great pain of body and mind; has sustained permanent disability and deformity; has incurred and will incur in the future hospital, doctors' and related bills in an effort to be cured of said injuries; and has been prevented from engaging in her usual occupations and pursuits.

5. WHEREFORE, plaintiff Mary Mehan demands judgment against defendant The TJX Companies Inc. in the sum of \$500,000, and her costs in this behalf expended.

MARY MEHAN

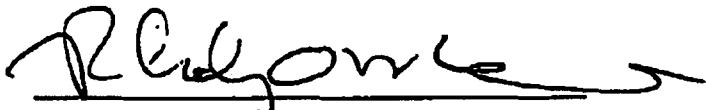
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JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all issues.



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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY  
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FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA 22030  
703-691-7320  
(Press 3, Press 1)

**Mary Mehan vs. TJX Companies Inc, The**

**CL-2018-0000639**

**TO: TJX Companies Inc, The**  
d/b/a Marshalls  
**Serve: CT Corporation System**  
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Glen Allen VA 23060

**SUMMONS – CIVIL ACTION**

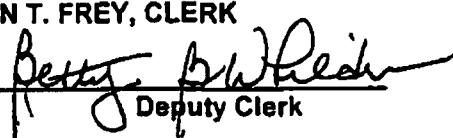
The party upon whom this summons and the attached complaint are served is hereby notified that unless within 21 days after such service, response is made by filing in the Clerk's office of this Court a pleading in writing, in proper legal form, the allegations and charges may be taken as admitted and the court may enter an order, judgment or decree against such party either by default or after hearing evidence.

**APPEARANCE IN PERSON IS NOT REQUIRED BY THIS SUMMONS.**

**Done in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, on January 9, 2019.**

**JOHN T. FREY, CLERK**

By:

  
Deputy Clerk

**Plaintiff's Attorney: Philip O'Beirne**

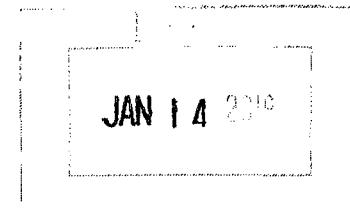


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**RE:** Process Served in Virginia

**FOR:** The TJX Companies, Inc. (Domestic State: DE)

**Service of Process  
Transmittal**  
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**TITLE OF ACTION:** MARY MEHAN, PLTF. vs. THE TJX COMPANIES, INC., DFT.

**DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:** PROOF, SUMMONS, COMPLAINT, NOTICE, CERTIFICATE

**COURT/AGENCY:** Fairfax County Circuit Court, VA  
Case # CL20180000639

**NATURE OF ACTION:** Personal Injury - Failure to Maintain Premises in a Safe Condition - On 01/15/2016

**ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:** C T Corporation System, Glen Allen, VA

**DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:** By Process Server on 01/11/2019 at 11:56

**JURISDICTION SERVED :** Virginia

**APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:** Within 21 days after such service

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**VIRGINIA:**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FAIRFAX COUNTY**

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

**Mary Mehan**  
Plaintiff

**VS**

**TJX Companies Inc, The**  
Defendant

**CL-2018-0000639**

**Subtype: Summons & Complaint**  
**Serve: TJX Companies Inc, The**

**STATE OF** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY/COUNTY OF** \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

This day \_\_\_\_\_

personally appeared before the undersigned Notary Public in and for the City/County and State aforesaid, and, having been first duly sworn according to law, deposes and states as follows: that he/she is not a party to, or otherwise interested in, the subject matter in controversy in the within cause, that he/she is over the age of 18 years; that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at

\_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_.m. he/she served the within Complaint, in person, on the Defendant  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ and the Defendant is / is not a resident of the State of Virginia.

\_\_\_\_\_ **AFFIANT**

\_\_\_\_\_ **TITLE**

Subscribed and sworn to before me in my City/County and State aforesaid, this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Notary ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **NOTARY PUBLIC**

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_